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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**DECLARATION**

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Application Number:	
Filing Date:	
Entitled:	SPINDLE MOTOR

As the below-named inventors, we declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship is as stated below next to their name(s).

We believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventor(s) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SPINDLE MOTOR

the specification of which was filed on April 4, 2003 as PCT international application Number PCT/JP03/04349.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)–(d) or (f), or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's rights certificate(s), or § 365(a) of any PCT international application that designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below by checking the box corresponding to any foreign application for patent, inventor's rights certificate(s), or corresponding to any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date	Priority Claimed Yes
2002-105136	Japan	April 8, 2002	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below:

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We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States, as listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the Claims of this Application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 that became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.


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PCT/JP03/04349	April 4, 2003	

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our knowledge are true; all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

The attorneys of record in said application for patent are hereby authorized and requested by the undersigned to insert in this Declaration the date and application number thereof in the places provided therefor.

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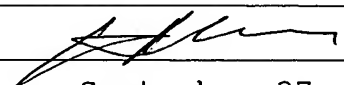
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Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) is enclosed.

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